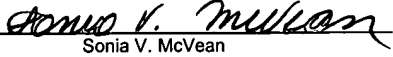


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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated February 24, 2005, the Examiner indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 15, 2004 has not been considered because legible copies of each cited foreign patent documents were not submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement.

The Information Disclosure Statement filed on September 15, 2004 was merely a copy of an Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 30, 2003, and a copy of the returned postcard stamped by the U.S. Patent Office which indicates that the U.S. Patent Office received the Information Disclosure Statement on January 2, 2004.

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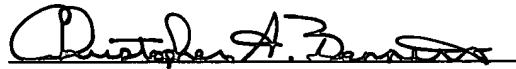
documents cited in the Information Disclosure Statement originally filed on December 30, 2003 have not been considered.

Accordingly, Applicant submits herewith another copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 30, 2003, a copy of the returned postcard stamped by the U.S. Patent Office which indicates that the U.S. Patent Office received the Information Disclosure Statement on January 2, 2004, and copies of the each foreign patent document cited therein.

Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner acknowledges and considers the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 30, 2003, and provides Applicant with an initialed and signed copy of the enclosed PTO Form-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 21, 2005

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